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RETURN TO GLORY

Patriots brush aside adversity, capture Super Bowl for first time in a decade

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GLENDAL, Ariz. — There. New England football fans have the ultimate validation of the Patriot Way.

The Patriots once again established that they win because they are smarter, more clutch, and better than everybody else. Nothing less. Super Bowl XLIX was an homage to the Hoodie. For the first time in 10 years, the Patriots are champions of the football world, and no one can take that from them.

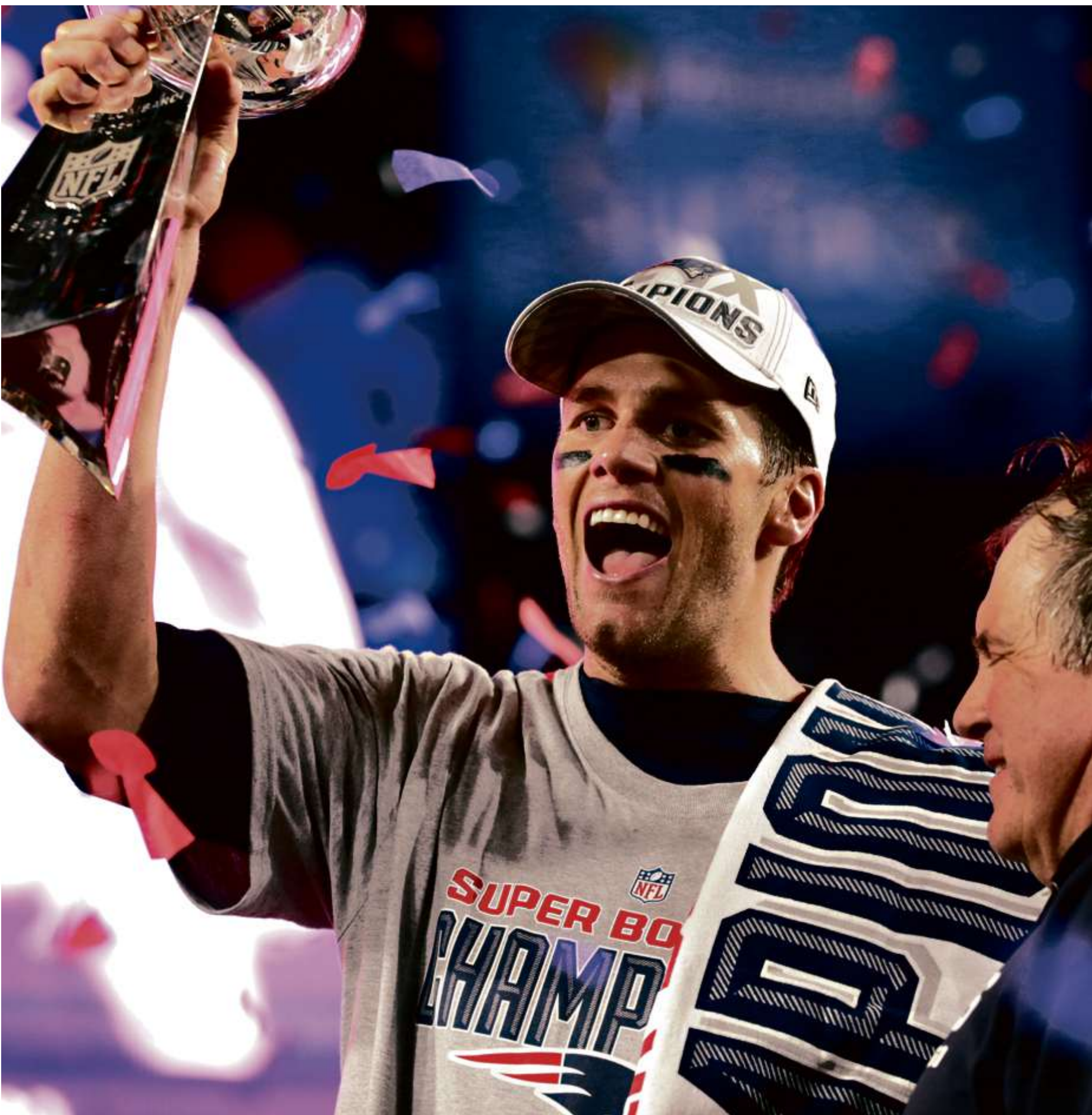
In a wild game that had everything, the Patriots rallied from a 10-point deficit (it would have deflated most teams) with less than eight minutes remaining and defeated the Seattle Seahawks, 28-24, Sunday night at University of Phoenix Stadium.

“I’m so proud of these players,” said coach Bill Belichick. “I love these guys.”

Best Super Bowl of them all? Maybe. Certainly the craziest. Playing what he termed “the biggest game of my life,” Tom Brady (37 of 50, 328 yards) threw four touchdown passes, copped the MVP trophy, and moved into the four-Super Bowl plateau occupied by Joe Montana and Terry Bradshaw.

The final 66 seconds are easily the wildest minute-plus in Super Bowl lore. It looked very much like Groundhog Day when Seattle’s Jermaine Kearse made a circus catch on a tipped pass that took the Seahawks to

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MVP Tom Brady and coach Bill Belichick celebrated with their fourth Super Bowl trophy after the stunning victory. Full coverage is in Score, C1.



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Fans rejoice

The Patriots faithful gathered indoors and out in celebration across the region. B1.

Schools close as area girds for storm

With forecasts showing a foot or more of snow adding to last week’s heavy accumulation, Boston and other communities shut schools and other facilities for Monday and cautioned residents to stay off the roads. B1.

President Obama will propose a 10-year budget that would target the rich, aid the middle class, and add to the deficit. A2.

MIT researchers pursue a lower-cost system for removing carbon dioxide from smokestacks. B5.

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Monday: Snow and wind; high 32-37, low 6-11

Tuesday: Sunny but cold; high 19-24, low 11-16

Sunrise: 6:57 Sunset: 4:59

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Deported twice, but back in US again

Man’s case draws questions

By Maria Sacchetti

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It took federal immigration officials 37 years to deport Ivan Vaclavik to the former Czechoslovakia.

And it took only a few months for Vaclavik to come floating back. Twice.

The 67-year-old former Boston resident was deported to the Czech Republic in late 2013 after the Globe detailed how he had dodged deportation while racking up more than 100 criminal charges, including felony assault and accosting a child. His victims cheered.

But by July, Vaclavik was sneaking back into America on a raft across the

Rio Grande. He was caught, slapped with a misdemeanor, and deported. Then last month, he was at it again, picked up by the Coast Guard on a powerboat sinking off Florida.

Now Vaclavik’s dogged efforts to return are raising new questions about the mysterious emigre and why federal officials didn’t charge him with a tougher crime when they caught him last year.

This time around, Vaclavik — tentatively set to appear in federal court



Ivan Vaclavik is in US custody.

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Statute against lying in ads faces legal test

By Stephanie Ebbert

GLOBE STAFF

In the first test of its constitutionality, a state law that makes it illegal to lie in campaign ads is being challenged by a Republican political action committee whose treasurer is facing criminal charges over a negative mailing in the last election cycle.

The Jobs First Independent Expenditure Political Action Committee aims to strike down a 1946 state statute that bars anyone from knowingly making false statements about a candidate.

Jobs First argues the state law is unconstitutional, providing a “chilling effect” on free speech by protecting elected officials from criticism.

But a state legislator says he was defamed by the PAC’s campaign fliers.

“They’re arguing for the right to lie. I’m arguing for the right to tell the truth.”

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